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Applicants : Johan LENNERSTRAND, and Brendan LARDER
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AMENDMENT "B" AND RESPONSE

Dear Sir:

This amendment is filed, together with an accompanying Request for Continued Examination (RCE) and a petition for time extension, in response to the final Office Action dated August 27, 2002 (hereinafter the "Office Action"). Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

In the Claims:

Please amend the claims so that the following is a clean list of the elected claims:

1. (Twice amended) A method for determining the level of resistance of HIV to an HIV RT inhibitor, comprising:

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